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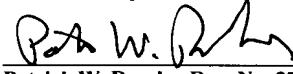
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Serial Number: 09/749,315 :  
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For: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR  
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**RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS**

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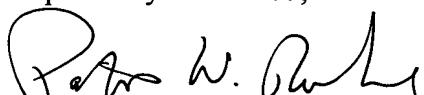
Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application dated February 16, 2001, enclosed is a fully executed Declaration and Power of Attorney, together with a Petition for Extension of Time. Also enclosed is the Part 2 - Copy to be Returned with Response of the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application.

Also in response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application, enclosed please find ten (10) sheets of formal drawings.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the surcharge of \$130 to Deposit Account Number 01-2384. A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,



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### NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

**FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)**

#### *Filing Date Granted*

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
  
- **The balance due by applicant is \$ 130.**

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to correct the informalities indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:
  - drawing sheets do not have the appropriate margin(s) (see 37 CFR 1.84(g)). Each sheet must include a top margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a left side margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a right side margin of at least 1.5 cm. (5/8 inch), and a bottom margin of at least 1.0 cm. (3/8 inch);

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